

Third Sunday in Lent - March 19, 2017

MORNING WORSHIP - 10:00 A.M.

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK: *O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!* Psalm 95:6

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.....The Rev. Ginny Tobiassen

PRELUDE - *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*.....T. St. Agnes
Gregor BellChor arr. Kevin McChesney (2000)

INTROIT - *I Choose Love*.....Mark Miller

In the midst of pain, I choose Love. In the midst of pain, sorrow falling down like rain,
I await the sun again, I choose Love.

In the midst of war, I choose Peace. In the midst of war, hate and anger keeping score,
I will seek the good once more, I choose Peace.

When my world falls down, I will Rise. When my world falls down,
explanations can't be found I will climb to holy ground, I will Rise.

Carolers & Celebration Singers

CALL TO WORSHIPCharlotte Disher

LITURGY - *Lent 2*, page 78

LOVE. LIVE. SERVE. - *Sunnyside Ministry*David Holston

SCRIPTURES: Romans 5:1-11, page 917
Psalm 95:6-11

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
O that today you would listen to his voice!**

Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,
when your ancestors tested me, and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

For forty years I loathed that generation and said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they do not regard my ways."

Therefore in my anger I swore, "They shall not enter my rest."

John 4:5-42, page 863

(During the singing of the next hymn, children age 4 and up are welcome to follow Children's Church leaders to continue their worship in Godly Play, RB-225. At 11:00, children will go to the Comenius Corridor, Singstunde in CE-205, and then Sunday School.)

HYMN 411, *Shepherd of Souls*, verses 1-3T. Dundee

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 17:1-7, page 56Rev. Tobiassen

SERMON - *The Presence of Water*

HYMN 408 - *Water Has Held Us*.....T. Bunessan

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY INVITATION

CelebrationMichael R. Keller (1999)
Gregor BellChor

ANTHEM - *Make a Joyful Noise*.....Virgil T. Ford (1967)
Choir and Gregor BellChor

DOXOLOGY - *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*.....T. Old Hundredth

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

HYMN 616 - *The Springs of Salvation*T. *Springs of Salvation*

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE - *The Glory of These Forty Days*.....T. *Erhalt uns, Herr*
setting by Mark Sedio (1996)

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Virginia H. Tobiassen, *Pastor*
Margaret Norris, *Director of Christian Education*
Glenn Siebert, *Director of Music* Susan Foster, *Organist*
Anne Saxon, *Director of Children's and Youth Choirs*
Erik Salzwedel, *Director of Gregor BellChor*

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We extend a cordial welcome to all of our visitors this morning and we invite you to join us again whenever possible. Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register, pass it both ways in your pew, and greet those near you after the service. Visitors, members and friends are invited for Coffee Fellowship in the lovefeast serving room to the right of the Sanctuary, immediately following the morning worship service.

The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today to the glory of God and in honor of *Mary Elizabeth (Betty) Tesch Barnes* and in loving memory of *Alan Barnes* by the family and in memory of *Louise Gaither*.

Thank you to our member Charlotte Disher for being the liturgist today.

The Earth Stewards Ministry Team will meet on Thursday, March 23, in the Club Room at 12:10. New members are welcome to join us.

Easter Egg Hunt at HMC for toddlers through 5th graders; Sunday, April 2 from 12:15 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. RSVP church office by March 27.

ATTENTION USHERS!!! 245th Easter Sunrise Service - Would you like to usher at this year's Easter Sunrise Service? Now is your chance! This year's service begins at 6 a.m. on Sunday, April 16. We would love to have you participate this year as Home Church is responsible for a large area during the service. Please contact Mark Goslen at 336-768-5775 or email at mark@goslenprinting.com if you would like to volunteer. Don't forget, we will also have sugar cake, ham biscuits and coffee in the Club Room before the service. Hope to hear from you soon!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children/Youth

Pre-K/K: *Triumphal Entry*, CE-205

Grades 1st-4th: *Triumphal Entry*, drama, CE-201

Grades 5th-7th: *Submerge Yourself in the Bible*, CE-301

Grades 8th, 9th: Confirmation, CE-304

Grades 10th-12th: Continuing the Confirmation Conversation, CE-304

Adult

Scripture Encore: *Further exploration of today's service scripture passages*, CE-101

Faith Journeys: *A Conversation with Helen Beets*, CE-208

Bible Discussion: *A study of Hebrews, Chapter 7*, Club Room

The Non-Sunday School: *Sustainable Youth Ministry: Why most youth ministry doesn't last and what your church can do about it*; acquire book from Coffee Fellowship area

PERSONAL NOTES

Ill at Forsyth: Percy Gibson

Recovering at home: Bill Hunter

CALENDAR

- Today - 10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
11:00 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship (Women's Fellowship)
11:15 a.m. - Sunday School
12:15 p.m. - Youth Fellowship
3:00 p.m. - Great Sabbath Rehearsal, CE-101
- Tuesday - 7:00 a.m. - MOC Group, Club Room
10:00 a.m. - Bible Study, Club Room
- Wednesday - 9:00 a.m. - Stewardship Committee, Club Room
11:00 a.m. - Day of Prayer, Calvary Moravian Church
4:45 p.m. - Children's Choirs
5:00 p.m. - World Mission Ministry Team, CE-101
5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Fellowship Supper, Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. - Lenten Communion, Saal
- Thursday - 12:10 p.m. - Earth Stewards Ministry Team, Club Room
2:00 p.m. - Book Club, Club Room
5:30 p.m. - Gregor BellChor, Sanctuary
6:30 p.m. - Choir, RB-5
7:30 p.m. - Men's Chorus, RB-5
- Next Sunday - 9:00 a.m. - HOPE lunch bags, Club Room
10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
11:00 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship (Elders)
11:15 a.m. - Sunday School
12:15 p.m. - Youth Fellowship

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

"The Art of Forgiveness" is the topic for two one-day retreats, led by the Rev. Jeff Coppage, offered at Fries Memorial Moravian Church on Saturday March 25 and Tuesday March 28. Living in a world saturated with resentment and anger, knowing simply that we should forgive is just the start. Learning how to forgive is vital to sustaining healthy relationships as well as one's own well-being. More information and online registration can be found at www.frieschurch.org, by emailing Jeff at frieschurchjeff@gmail.com, or by calling the church at 336-722-2847.

The Shepherd's Center of Greater Winston-Salem will hold its 30th Annual Used Book Sale on Thursday, May 4 and Friday, May 5 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and on Saturday, May 6 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Parking and Admission are FREE!

"Save the Date" and plan to attend the 3rd Annual Women's Retreat, September 15-17 at Laurel Ridge. Fran Saylor will be our leader and all women of Home Church are invited. Registrations open June 1. More information to follow!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

Lenten Communion, Saal

We will celebrate Holy Communion in the Saal at 6:30 p.m. Join your brothers and sisters for dinner in the Fellowship Hall beforehand (be sure to make a reservation), or come at 6:30 to enjoy this intimate, less formal communion service. The service lasts about 45 minutes and includes prayer, scripture, special music, and a meditation centered on the Daily Text for the day.

This week's meal is Peruvian potato salad, wild rice salad, black bean and roasted corn salad, chicken moles verde, and pumpkin cookies for dessert. Please make your reservation for supper with the church office by 5 p.m. Monday. The cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 12 and under.

----- Tear off and place in offering plate -----

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP RESERVATION

Name _____ # attending _____